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## ***CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY DECREASED***

**SIoux FALLS, April 18, 2008** -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 225,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on April 1, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This is down 5,000 head from a year earlier and down 10,000 head from a month earlier.

**Placements** during March totaled 32,000 head, down 8,000 head from last year and down 5,000 head from February 2008.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during March totaled 37,000 head, unchanged from last year and down 3,000 head from February 2008.

**Other disappearance** during March totaled 5,000 head, up 2,000 head from last year and up 3,000 head from February 2008.

*Access this complete report at:*

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CattOnFe/2000s/2008/CattOnFe-04-18-2008.pdf>